



The Lincoln School

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Wednesday

March 17, 2010

CO-PRESIDENTS' NOTE

Many of you will be wearing the *Green* today to celebrate a favorite tradition, St. Patrick's Day. May the luck of the Irish bring dry basements to all our families! Due to the school closings this week, our LSPA meeting originally scheduled for this Thursday, March 18th, is cancelled. Please plan to join us on April 8th as we make plans for the 2010-2011 school year at our annual recruitment meeting. Many Thanks to Anita Colasante, Sheryl Stein and all the parents and 5th graders who made Lincoln's 5th Grade Babysitting last week a great success. The afternoons ran smoothly and it was wonderful to see all the basketball and hula-hooping the older students shared with their younger counterparts. If you haven't already, take a moment to sponsor one or more of our 5th graders as they raise money for Heifer International at tomorrow's Hoop-A-Thon. Basketballs and Hula Hoops will be flying as they help fundraise to end poverty and hunger. Parents and siblings are welcome to attend the event and cheer on their family and friends! Our Best - Bridget Stump and Linda McDonough

CALENDAR

Thursday, March 18th

LSPA Meeting CANCELLED

Thursday, March 18th

Hoop-A-Thon 2:30-4:00pm

Thursday, March 25th

Early Release- Teacher Development

Friday, April 2nd

NO SCHOOL – Good Friday Holiday

Thursday, April 8th

LSPA Meeting, 8:30am

HOOP-A-THON

This Thursday, March 18, grades 3, 4 and 5 AND faculty/staff are invited to participate in our **Basketball and Hula Hoop-A-Thon** after school from 2:30-4:00, sponsored by the 5th grade. As many of you are aware, our fifth graders have been

participating in service projects throughout the year as part of Lincoln's "Growing Up and Reaching Out" tradition. The Hoop-A-Thon is their only fundraiser, and they have chosen to donate all proceeds to Heifer International (www.heifer.org). Here's how it will work: in the gym, participants will shoot as many free throws as they can in 2 minutes; in the cafeteria, they will complete as many hula-hoop revolutions as they can in 2 minutes. Fifth graders (and moms/dads) will be stationed throughout to run the event. We ask participants to either make a donation to Heifer in lieu of an entry fee, or collect pledges via the pledge sheets that went home last week. If you haven't registered in advance, you can register at the event. Healthy snacks and water will be available for purchase. Please contact Bridget Stump with questions at bridget.stump@gmail.com. Come after school on Thursday and join the 5th graders in our own March Madness!

--Eileen Marks

SOCIAL COMMITTEE THANKS!

We would like to extend a big thank you once again to the many people who helped to make the teacher's luncheon such a nice treat for the staff during the parent/teacher conferences on Wednesday. The teachers were able to enjoy some sandwich wraps from Whole Foods as well as many delicious salads and desserts provided by the social committee members. A special thanks goes to Alison Bayiates, Kate Carpini, Kara Clark, Lisa Der, Robin Gear, Kate Huttemann, Kathy Kendall, Liz Linskey, Sally McCarthy, Kevin Moorehead, Marcy Pike, Cindy Stewart, and Annie Westlund for all their contributions to this event!

--Kerry Campbell and Jenny Rappole
Social Committee Co-Chairs

HEALTH UPDATE

Pediculosis: Please continue to check your child's hair frequently for head lice. If you find any cases, please notify me so I may check the whole classroom. If you need assistance, feel free to call the health office.
Heights and Weights: for the entire school

population will commence in April.

Illness: The gastrointestinal virus that has affected most of the schools over the last month seems to have tapered off. There seems to be quite a few outbreaks of conjunctivitis and strep throat.

Strep throat: is here at Lincoln. Sore throats may or may not be present with Strep, and not all kids have a fever. Children often complain of a stomachache and headache with Strep throat. If a diagnosis of Strep is made, students should stay at home until they have had at least 24 hours of antibiotic treatment and fever is gone.

There have also been a number of reported headaches, without fevers, lately. Please feel free to follow up with me if your child has reported consistent headaches.

Epipens: I am still interested in any expired epipens. I will use them in September to train the entire staff at Lincoln. Thanks to those who have donated some.

Attention All 5th Grade Parents:

A physical examination is now required for all 5th grade students entering McCall Middle School in September. Written validation of an examination dated between June 2009 and June 2010 will be accepted. Please continue to forward the forms to me as soon as your child has had his/her physical.

5th Grade Human Growth and Development Program for 5th grade students will be held in May. The date is TBD. Notices to parents/guardians will precede the program, as well as an opportunity for parents to preview the films.

Another Huge Thank you for all the parents who volunteered their whole day to assist in the Health Fair. Thanks to their time, patience and efforts, the fair was a great success. --Lynn Vozzella R.N.

MATH AND SCIENCE MANIA

Calling all scientists in the Lincoln School Community! A Math and Science Mania program will be held Wednesday May 5 from 6-7:30pm at Lincoln School. The planning committee is looking for parent volunteers to help create and present science and technology stations for the event. In past years, display topics included

"See the sounds" (computer displays of sound frequencies), "Explore the world of engineering," "Optics, the science of light," "The MIT Chemistry Department," and "Polymers." We are hoping to have stations representing the fields of biology, chemistry, physics, and engineering. If you would like to help us create a display in the area of your expertise, please contact Caroline Shamu at caroline.shamu@hms.harvard.edu



JUST 10 BOX TOPS PER STUDENT = OUR \$1,500 GOAL!

A mere 10 Box Tops brought in by each Lincoln student will help us reach our \$1,500 goal! It's likely you have 10 Box Tops in your pantry right now. Participating products include family staples such as General Mills cereals, Old El Paso salsa and taco shells, Nature Valley granola bars, Pillsbury products, Pop Secret popcorn, Ziploc Brand bags and Kleenex...just to name a few! Simply tear off the Box Tops and send them into the classroom to help us earn cash for our school. Thank you for your continued support of this program.

COMMUNITY NEWS

WINCHESTER COOP THEATRE PRESENTS WILLY WONKA AND THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY

March 19th-28th at McCall Middle School: Come share in the adventure of Charlie Bucket and four other lucky Golden Ticket holders as they tour the famed Willy Wonka Chocolate Factory. Winchester Coop Theatre's group of 4th, 5th and 6th graders brings to life the magical world inside this delicious factory with song and dance. Friday, March 19th @ 7:30 p.m., Saturday March 20th @ 1:00 p.m., Sunday March 21st @ 1:00 p.m., Friday March 26th @ 7:30 p.m., Saturday March 27th @ 1:00 p.m. and 4:00 p.m., Sunday March 28th @ 1:00pm and 4:00pm. Call 781-721-PLAY for tickets (\$15 each). Recommended for ages 3 and up. **Special Performance Tuesday March 23rd @ 4:00 pm. Proceeds to benefit the GINN Playground Restoration Project.** Tickets for this special performance are \$15 and will be sold only at the door. Attendees to this special performance may win a GOLDEN TICKET and a chance to win a Wonka worthy prize. For information on this special performance, contact presidents@winchesterneighbors.com.

COOL SCIENCE CLUB

Registration is now open for the almost-spring session of the wildly popular Cool Science Club -- an after-school program that provides fun, hands-on, experiment-driven projects in science, technology and math. This four-week session is scheduled to include MANY fun and NEW science topics. Club Scientists lead explorations of individual topics for groups of 12 students and are assisted by Young Scientists (from grades 8-12). For Grades K+1+2: Outdoor Explorer, Discovery Science, Kitchen Chemistry, Explore Stars and Planets in STARLAB. For Grades 3+4+5+6: Build a Boat, Digging Mummy Science, LEGO Robotics. The Club will be held on Wednesdays (3/17, 3/24, 3/31, 4/7) from 3:30 to 5:00 pm at McCall Middle School. Slots for the Club will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis and go quickly! Get your registration form TODAY from paulagiancola@comcast.net. The fee per Club participant is \$75. Scholarships are available. Lanie Higgins (781-729-7157, Lhiggins@winchester.k12.ma.us), Science Coordinator at the McCall Middle School, is the Cool Science Club Director.

WINCHESTER FRIENDS OF ART Promoting Excellence in Art Education

Winchester Friends of Art (WFOA) is busy this month with many opportunities to support art education in Winchester:

Raffle to win private art class from your art teacher! 1.5 hours for four students. \$10 for one raffle ticket or \$25 for three. Buy tickets from winchesterfoa@hotmail.com or at WFOA Family Reception (described below). And, FREE of charge at NextDoor Theater (Cross St.) through April 15, Winchester students and parents alike are invited to view (and purchase, if you like!) artwork done by art teachers at all levels of the Winchester school system.

WFOA Family Reception. Saturday, March 27 at Sons of Italy (Swanton St.) from 2 - 4pm. Take the family to view art created by Winchester students and by professional artists at this FREE family reception. Winning tickets for Art Class Raffle will be drawn at 3:30pm.

WFOA Annual Party for the Arts. Saturday, March 27 at Sons of Italy from 8 - 11 pm. Join fellow Winchester residents for WFOA's always fun fundraising party -- an auction of artwork by professional artists and high school seniors and of goods donated by local businesses, with live music by the Liz Lannon Band, dessert bar, and cash bar. Tickets are \$35 each in advance from BookEnds.

WHS SOFTBALL CLINIC

The Winchester High School Softball program is offering a three-session clinic to get youth players from grades 3-8 ready for their upcoming seasons. Whether you are new to softball, a returning spring league player, or an experienced travel team softballer, Mastering Softball Basics is the clinic for you! For three consecutive Saturdays, WHS Varsity Coach Steve Swymer and his staff of experienced coaches and players will work with clinic participants on all aspects of the game. Players will receive instruction and reinforce their softball skills through a number of softball drills and workout stations. Players will be grouped by age and skill level. The clinic will take place at the Winchester High School Gym/Field House on March 27, April 3, and April 10 from 3:45 to 6 pm. Total cost for the three-session clinic is \$75. Visit www.eteamz.com/FriendsofWHSsoftball to download registration forms or to register/pay online. Call 781-729-1740 for more information about this great clinic opportunity.

WINCHESTER POP WARNER

Winchester Pop Warner is holding its 1st Annual Fundraiser! Please join us on April 10th for our "Tailgate Fundraiser" at the Sons of Italy from 7pm - Midnight. Tickets are \$40. More information is available at: <http://www.winchesterpopwarner.com/fundraiser/>

WFDC 2010 KENTUCKY DERBY RAFFLE DRAW WILL BE LIVE

The Winchester Field Development Councils (WFDC) 2010 Kentucky Derby Raffle winner will be drawn live on WinCam at 7:30pm on April 1, 2010. This event will be available on channel 8 for Winchester Comcast customers and on channel 36 for Winchester Verizon customers. The live broadcast will also feature a status report on the Manchester Field Renovation project. The winner of this raffle will receive Airfare, Lodging, 4 Premium seats to the 2010 Kentucky Derby and a Private Farm visit to one of the elite Thoroughbred breeding farms in all of Kentucky. The 2010 Kentucky Derby will be held at Churchill Downs in Louisville, Kentucky on May 1st. Tickets for this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity may be purchased in person during regular business hours at Book Ends in Winchester center on Friday March 19th and 26th and Saturday, March 20th and 27th. Interested parties may also purchase tickets anytime prior to April 1st by contacting Lisa Basile at lisa.basile@comcast.net or Paul Manganaro

at 781-937-8880 x325. The cost of a raffle ticket is \$100, and a maximum of 500 tickets will be sold. Proceeds from this raffle will benefit Phase 2 of the Manchester Field Renovation project. To learn more about the WFDC please visit us at www.wfdc.net. Don't miss out on your chance at this first class experience for four: order your tickets today!

MULTICULTURAL NETWORK

The Winchester Multicultural Network invites interested town residents and workers and friends of the Network, to our annual weekend community workshop: *Deepening Your Multicultural Understanding* on Friday evening, April 9, 7 to 9 P.M. and continuing Saturday, April 10, 9:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. at the Winchester Unitarian Society, 478 Main Street. Note: Limited space, pre-registration is required. *The workshop is offered free of charge, thanks to support from the Cummings Foundation and the generosity of Network contributors.* **Who should come?** Anyone interested in fostering multiculturalism, the ongoing process of recognizing, understanding, and appreciating differences—as well as similarities—in family, community, schools, and workspaces, should attend. **What does it cost?** The workshop is free, thanks to the generosity of Network contributors. We welcome contributions of any amount to help defray our expenses. **Who leads this workshop?** Angela Giudice, an independent multicultural consultant, educator, and community activist, will facilitate the workshop. The VISIONS model for looking at multiculturalism is the basis of the Network's philosophy and approach to addressing issues of difference. Leave with your own personal toolbox! Guidelines for Discussion, Common Language and Vocabulary for Multicultural Issues, Framework for Understanding, and More! Call the WMCN office (781 729-7100) or e-mail (office@wmcn.org) immediately to reserve a space or for info.

TASTE OF WINCHESTER

The 4th annual "Taste of Winchester," to benefit the Griffin Museum of Photography, will be held on Friday, March 26th, 2010, from 7 to 10 pm at the Griffin Museum of Photography. This popular community event is a chance to sample delicious food and wine from favorite local restaurants and shops, enjoy live music and win fabulous door prizes. Tickets are \$60 and will be available at the end of February at Bookends and through the Griffin Museum at www.griffinmuseum.org

(781)729-1158. The event sold out last year, so be sure to get your tickets early!

PLAYGROUND RESTORATION

March 27, 2010, 7:30-10:30pm at Parish of the Epiphany Church - Help us BeGINN Again! Let the Winchester Neighbors Club take you **From Aspen to Antigua** at the WNC Sping Gala, all to benefit the Ginn Playground Restoration Project. Food by Green Olive, steel drum music by PanNeubean Steel, an open beer and wine bar, and the opportunity to purchase a variety of once-in-a-lifetime experiences in silent and live auctions await you. Some of the amazing auction items include the opportunity to spend 2011's April vacation week at a fabulous 4-bedroom villa in the five star resort Peninsula Papagayo in Costa Rica, a private outing aboard a luxury Hinckley Picnic boat, and ice time with pro hockey player Paul Mara. For more information, please go to www.beGINNagain.com, and to purchase tickets (\$125 each), please go to www.winchesterneighbors.com/ginn gala.

COOL WINCHESTER PRESENTS...

"The Path to Zero Energy Homes" at the Winchester Public Library - Large Meeting Room on April 13th from 7:00 -8:30 PM. Presenters will be Stephanie Horowitz, AIA, and Jordan Goldman, LEED AP, from Zero Energy Design. Come and learn about deep energy retrofits and zero energy homes. The discussion will include understanding how energy performance is measured, an explanation of major energy upgrades for existing homes, and an overview of energy design options for new high performance homes. Zero Energy Design (ZED) is an architecture and energy consulting firm, specializing in new construction and major renovations, and offers innovative and ecologically sensible design. The firm is committed to designing homes and buildings that use 50% less energy than building code requires, in pursuit of energy independence. Zero Energy Design has been rewarded for excellent architecture and mechanical engineering by some of the industry's most prestigious associations and organizations such as: Boston Society of Architects - Citation for Sustainability, PRISM Gold Award for Most Innovative Single Family Green Design, 2008-09 Kitchen Design Award sponsored by appliance manufacturers Sub-Zero and Wolf. Recently the Managing Director of ZED, Stephanie Horowitz, AIA, has been awarded with the Five Under Forty Award of New England Homes, which

spotlights the hottest emerging talent in residential design in New England.

EN KA SOCIETY NEWS

The En Ka Society, Winchester's oldest women's service organization, seeks donations of lightly-used children's and adult books to support the book sale tent at the Society's annual Street Fair, scheduled for May 14 and 15. This year's Fair is titled *Hats Off to You!* Beginning April 1st, books can be left anytime on the wooden collection pallets at the Sanborn House's Carriage House, adjacent to the Ambrose School at 27 High Street in Winchester. Look for signs saying "Book Drop Here." Books should be placed in small, easy-to-handle boxes. Please wrap boxes in plastic to protect the books from the elements. En Ka is particularly in need of gently read paperback fiction, mysteries, and children's books. Videos, DVDs, audiotapes and CDs in good condition are also appreciated. No text books, encyclopedias, magazines or condensed books please. All proceeds from the book sale will support En Ka's annual grants to dozens of Winchester's charitable and civic organizations. Books that remain unsold at the end of the Fair will be donated to a variety of charities. Questions: email enkabooks@yahoo.com. **THE EN KA FAIR IS COMING!** The theme this year is "Hats off to You:" May 14 and 15, 2010! En Ka Parade: May 15, 2010. **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR EN KA FAIR:** Volunteers who are over 18 years of age are needed for the upcoming En Ka Fair being held Friday and Saturday, May 14 and 15. Those interested in taking tickets for a ride or helping with a game for a two-hour shift, please Contact Karen Knouse at 721-2829. **En Ka Day at Mahoney's Rocky Ledge to Be Held Wednesday, May 13th:** The En Ka annual fundraiser will be held from 10 am - 5 pm on Wednesday, May 13th at Mahoney's Rocky Ledge Garden Center. Buy flowers, plants, tools, gift certificates, and more. For the 28th consecutive year, Mahoney's will donate a percentage of that day's sales to the En Ka Society to help fund grants for Winchester's charitable and civic organizations. Please pay at the Main Greenhouse.

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